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Sherman Rosser, Jr. director of admissions. (Kathryn Ritchie Photo.)

• Admissions

Rosser brings personal touch

By Kathryn Ritchie
Maine Campus staff

Sherman Rosser, Jr.'s laugh has been echoing around Chadbourne Hall for the past three months. As UMaine's new director of admissions, he puts prospective students and co-workers alike at ease with his huge smile and office full of toys.

"I want everybody who steps foot on this campus to leave with a very warm feeling," he said.

Rosser firmly believes he was

in the right place at the right time when he heard about the open position at UMaine, which had been vacant for five years. His three-year position at Colby College was coming to a close when two UMaine members of the board of the New England Association for College Admissions Counseling, of which he is president, told him about the job.

He said he's ready to play a major leadership role at UMaine. Rosser has already made several changes to the admissions of-

fice, which include more aggressive recruitment.

"We don't want to overdo it, but we want to constantly keep the university in prospective parents' and students' minds," he said. "We are going to encourage many more prospective students and their parents to visit the campus."

Instead of using a rubber stamp to sign letters, Rosser said he signs every one with green or

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• Disability Fair

Athletes demonstrate wheelchair sports

By Mike Reynolds
Maine Campus staff

Last Sunday afternoon the UMaine fieldhouse was rumbling with the sounds of sports. But unlike most days, many of the athletes could not walk.

The athletes were demonstrating sports that people in wheelchairs can compete in. The demonstrations came in conjunction with an Open House sponsored by Maine Adaptive Sports and Recreation and The College of Education.

"It took a good three months to plan for this event," said Dave Pellegrini, executive director of Maine Adaptive Sports and Recreation.

One of the most interesting groups to watch were the Maine Roadrunners, a team of quadriplegic people who play rugby.

"A big misconception is that all quadriplegics can't move at all, which is not entirely true. People with disabilities are considered quadriplegic if they have a significant limitation in all four extremities," Pellegrini said.

Pellegrini also explained that rugby requires limited dribbling and getting the ball past the goal line.

"Wheelchair basketball is for people who are quadriplegic, but can use their arms to throw a ball into the basketball hoop," Pellegrini stated.

Along with the Maine Roadrunners, Maine Adaptive Sports and Recreation also facilitates two wheelchair basketball teams. The Maine High Rollers are a team with members from the greater Bangor area. The L.A. Wheelers are a newly formed team, based in the Lewiston/Auburn area, which has members throughout Central Maine.

Both of the teams that Maine Adaptive Sports work with have traveled extensively throughout New England and Canada. The wheelchair basketball teams are planning to attend a competition in Orlando, Fla. in mid-December.

Many other sports are supported through this organization. A program titled "Discover Clinics" seeks to promote sports for all people.



Zach plays tennis at Sunday's Disability Fair in the fieldhouse. (Dave Gagne Photo.)

"We start kids as young as they want," said Laurie Mousseau, a recreational therapist with United Cerebral Palsy.

Mousseau said the clinics have covered sports such as skiing, swimming, taekwondo, bowling, horse back riding, kayaking.

They hope to expand into ice fishing and cross country skiing.

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SUNKHAZE REFUGE



Julie Tilden and Stephanie Schroder help out with a dragonfly survey in Sunkhaze Wildlife Refuge. (See Story on page 3.) (Eli Fenichel Photo.)

• Union expansion

Rideout surveys organizations

Brad Morin
Special to the Campus

Members of the Memorial Union Expansion Committee will send out a survey next week to ascertain the needs of student organizations which will occupy the expanded union.

The survey will determine each organization's need for office space and equipment, such as desks and computers.

"We are talking about the largest construction project that the University of Maine has ever built," said Chairman Dwight Rideout at Thursday's meeting.

Rideout told committee members not to limit their ideas at this stage of the project.

The idea of an 'internet cafe' was brought up by the Services and Amenities subcommittee. This area would have limited-capability computer terminals with e-mail and web access.

"It would take a little pressure off the current computer clusters for students who have to do work, and it would help increase traffic in the union," said Ryan Carnegie, a member of the committee.

The Food subcommittee brought up the idea of a venue for fine dining in the union.

"Campus doesn't have a real restaurant," said Dan Sturup, a member of the committee, said.

A pub with casual seating and a small performance area were also discussed.

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WORLD BRIEFS

• Fresh development

New witness describes accident scene

1 PARIS (AP) — A witness has told a judge investigating Princess Diana's death that he saw someone with a video camera at the crash scene, indicating video footage may exist of the immediate aftermath, a judicial source said Thursday.

The witness, interviewed Tuesday by Judge Marie-Christine Devidal, is a sound engineer who arrived at the scene moments after the Aug. 31 crash — before rescuers did.

The source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, gave the witness's name only as Jacques.

Driving through the tunnel in the opposite direction, the witness heard "an enormous sound," the source said, citing testimony from the official case file. After quickly parking his own car, the witness said, he went to the scene and saw the Mercedes with all doors closed.

Then he saw "10 to 12 people" approaching the scene with cameras "and a Video U Matic camera," the source quoted the witness as telling the judge.

Judicial sources say no video camera was seized from the crash scene.

When he got close to the car, the witness said, "I saw that the two right-side doors had been opened ... I saw two photographers leaning into the car from the back door and taking pictures.

"I saw one of them rummaging inside the vehicle," he said. "I thought he was moving the body of Dodi Fayed or Lady Diana to take the best pictures."

• Compensation

Reparations made to survivors

2 BERN, Switzerland (AP) — Swiss authorities have received the names of nearly 30,000 needy Holocaust survivors, clearing the way for the start of payments this month from a special fund set up by Swiss banks and industry.

The move, which came after long delays, will likely be greeted with relief by Swiss authorities who want concrete action to ease international criticism over Switzerland's wartime record.

A local Jewish representative handed over the names of 16,000 Hungarian Jews to the Swiss ambassador in Hungary today.

On Wednesday, Israel Singer, general secretary of the World Jewish Congress, gave the Swiss ambassador to the United States a list with 12,000 names of needy Jews from a dozen nations.

There had been growing disquiet both in Switzerland and abroad that even though the \$113 million Holocaust fund was set up early this year, destitute Jews still hadn't seen a single dollar.

Linda Shepard, a spokeswoman for the Swiss government task force dealing with the Holocaust era, said Jewish organizations had said they would submit an additional 3,000 names of people entitled to payments of up to \$1,000 each from the fund.

• Random acts of violence

Gunmen wreak havoc on Egyptian streets

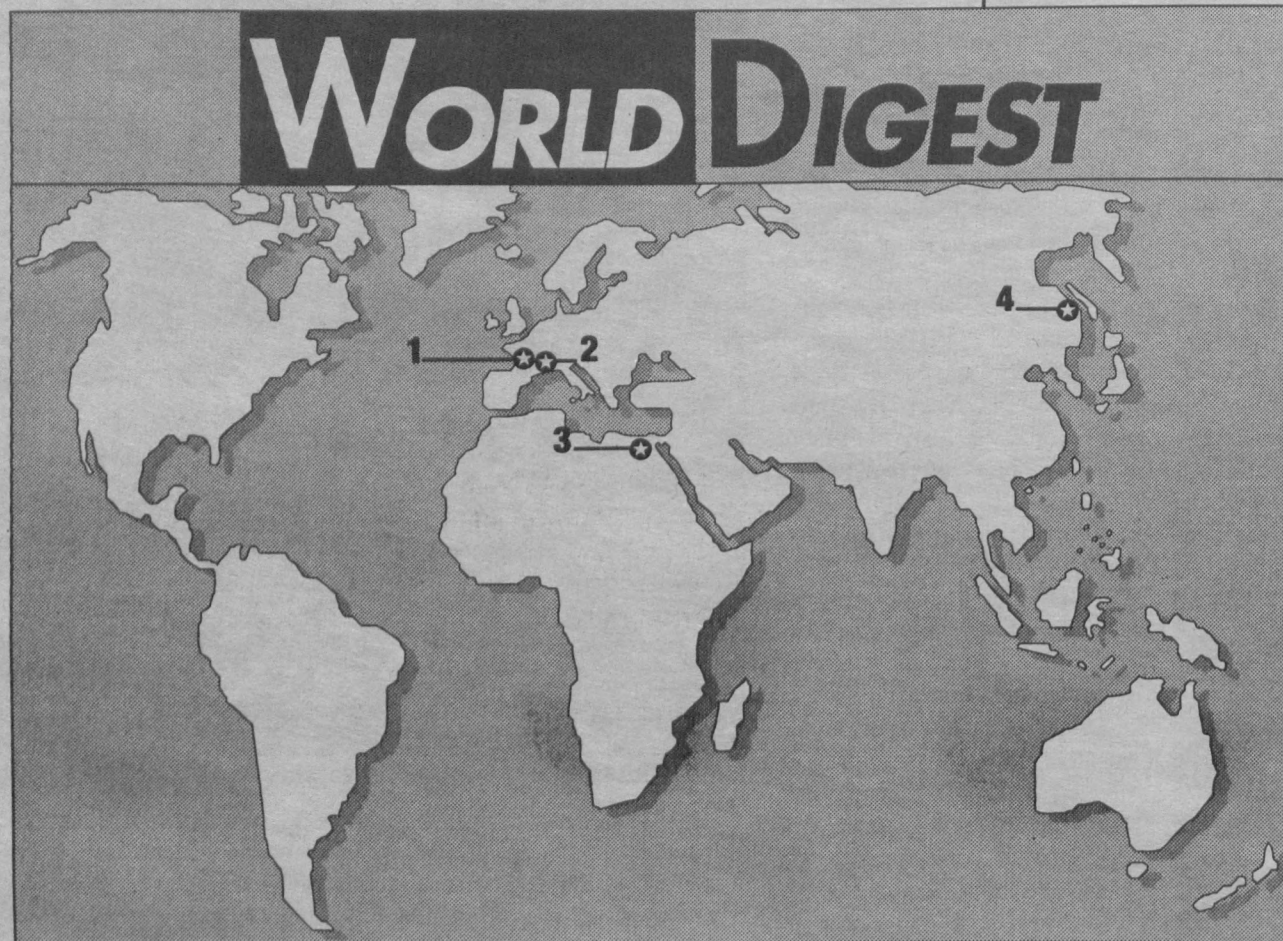
3 CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Three men in white shirts and ties strode calmly up to a bus as German tourists climbed aboard Thursday — then pulled a gun and explosives from a black plastic bag. Ten people were killed in a hail of gunfire and firebombs that set the bus ablaze.

The noontime attack — which police blamed on Muslim radicals — sent frightened tourists and bystanders streaming in panic from Cairo's Egyptian Museum, a major tourist landmark that contains one of the world's greatest collections of Pharaonic antiquities.

Police fired on the gunmen, wounding and capturing two of them. A third suspect was arrested nearby as hundreds of people fled the museum, famed for its rich gold artifacts from the tomb of King Tut.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility, but police described the gunmen as Muslim extremists. The attack came three days after Egypt convicted 72 people of subversion in its largest trial yet of Muslim extremists.

"I saw one man hurl a Molotov cocktail at the left side of the bus, while another opened fire," said Mohammed Fadl, an office worker. "There was black smoke coming out of the bus, and then it burst into flames."



• Ousted

Power blocs strengthen as old guard retires

4 BEIJING (AP) — China's communist elite strengthened party leader Jiang Zemin's power today by endorsing his ambitious economic reforms and retiring a key opponent at the close of a pivotal party congress.

In a surprise move that strengthened Jiang's hand, Qiao Shi, the head of China's parliament, and Liu Huaqing, the army's top representative, lost their seats on the party's powerful Central Committee, delegates to the congress said.

Qiao, 72, had been No. 3 in the party hierarchy and a rival of Jiang's. Liu, 80, had been expected to retire although diplomats said he was reluctant to do so.

Their removal could clear the way for Jiang to maneuver more supporters into top posts. Both Liu and Qiao had previously had seats on the seven-member Standing Committee, the apex of party power.

"They're retiring, they're too old," said Wang Zhiwei, a delegate from northern Shaanxi province.

"The central authorities have made other arrangements for them," said another Shaanxi delegate, Zhang Guoyan.

Qiao sat seemingly dejected, his head slightly bowed, during the 15-minute closing ceremony in the Great Hall of the People.

Weather

The Local Forecast

Today's Weather

Friday...Partly to mostly sunny. Highs in the mid to upper 70s.



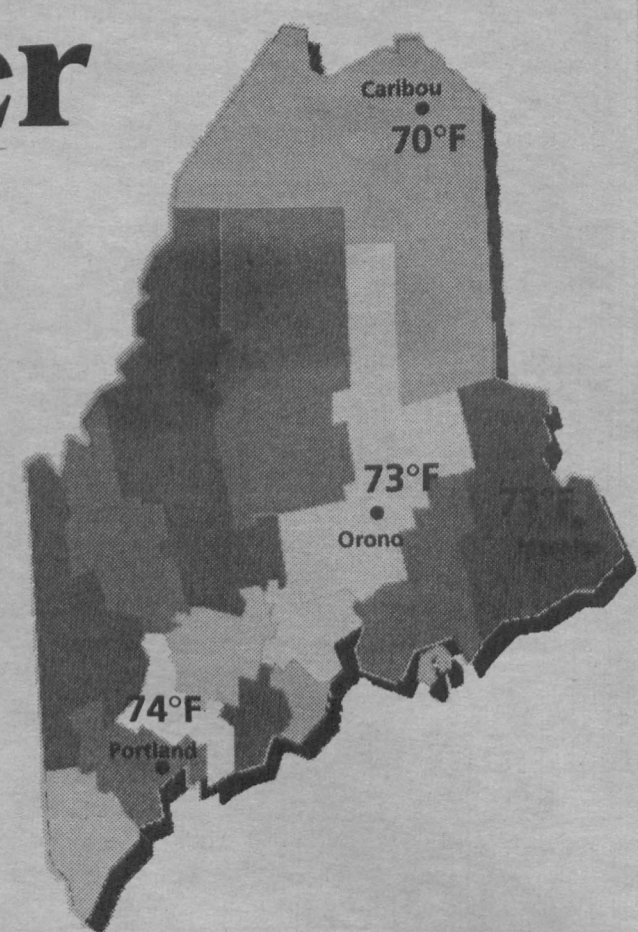
Saturday's Outlook

Rain likely. Highs in the mid to upper 60s.



Extended Forecast

Sunday...Chance of showers. Monday...Chance of a shower or flurry north. Fair south. Tuesday...Chance of a shower north. Fair south.



• Conservation

Sunkhaze preserves local wilderness

By Scott McKenna
Special to the Campus

Nature and outdoor lovers take note. Only a few miles from campus on Route 2 in Milford is the Sunkhaze Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, which is virtually unknown to most students.

"We offer hiking trails, hunting, canoeing, fishing, and a sense of wildlife without being in any real danger of getting lost," said Varney. "You get a sense of what it is like to be in the real wilderness without really being too far away from home."

The 9,337 acre refuge was established in 1988, and surrounds nearly five miles of stream that flows directly through the refuge. Habitats include forested uplands and cedar swamps as well as a large peat bog for which the refuge is named.

"One of our major problems is that students and most people don't realize that we are out here," said Ray Varney, Sunkhaze Refuge Manager. "People call us and the first thing they say is that they did not realize we were here."

Varney said that more than 200 spe-

cies of birds have been documented in the refuge, including some bald eagles. Mammals such as deer, moose and black bears also inhabit the refuge.

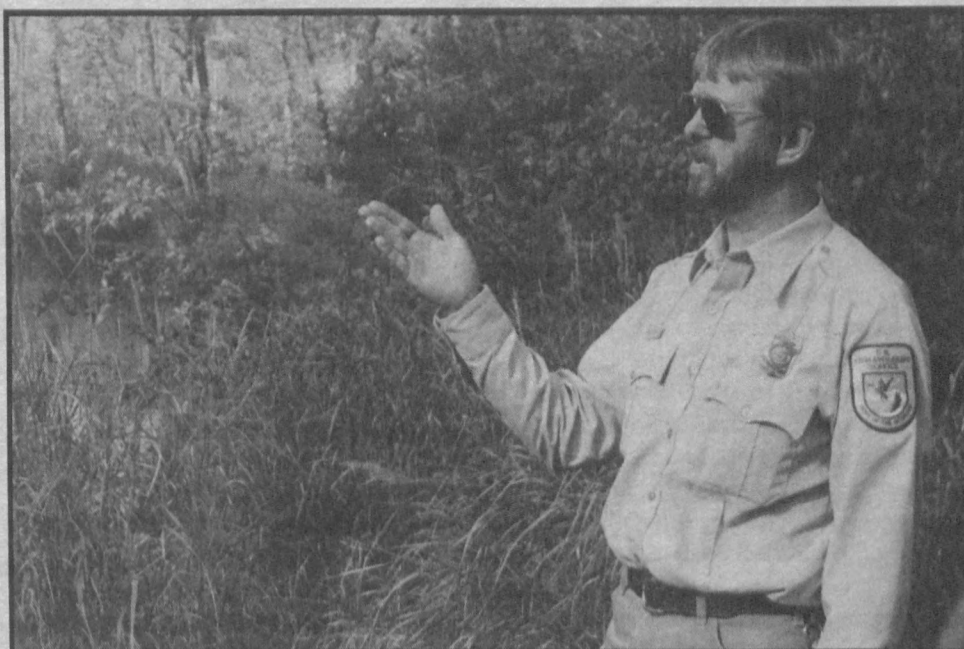
"The wildlife here is great. I can't promise that you will spot a moose, but you will most likely see some form of wildlife," said Varney.

Varney and a group of volunteers, including area boy scouts and members of the US Fish and Wildlife Service, spent the summer clearing a new 2.5 mile hiking trail. The trail includes about 1,000 feet of boardwalk.

"We spent about \$11,000 installing the boardwalk to try and attract more people," said Varney. "With it people can avoid a lot of the wetness and mud that makes hiking trails difficult for the average hiker."

On Saturday, October 18th, the refuge is planning a grand opening for the trail. The opening will include a canoe trip down Sunkhaze Stream and a family hike down the trail.

Varney and his staff hope that by next summer further renovations, such as handicap access on some trails and display exhibits, will be installed.



Ray Varney, manager of the Sunkhaze Wildlife Refuge describes some of the species of animals that live in the refuge. (Caleb Raynor Photo.)

"Right now I have to send out brochures and information to people who want to learn more about what the refuge has to offer," said Holly Robinson, a secretary in the Old Town refuge office. "One problem is that our office is here in Old Town and the refuge is in Milford. We really need to move our office onto the refuge land."

The refuge has a staff of four, but because of budget constraints only two work full time.

"We have about \$17,000 in operating funds which does not go too far," said Varney. "The budget problem is that we have a

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• Student services

New student center promises convenience

By Jodi Sokolowski
Maine Campus staff

Students in need of guidance & information can now turn to the New Student Academic Service Center & The Onward Tutor Program, which has adjacent offices in the newly renovated Dunn Hall.

"The university will benefit in general to get student services together for 'one-stop shopping,'" said Ruth Doucette, tutor coordinator of the Onward Tutoring Program.

The new Student Academic Service Center is a place for students to turn when they run into a dead-end. It provides students with avenues of information to reach their destination, according to Director Gerald Herlihy.

According to Herlihy, the center offers information on where to reach professors, advisors and tutoring services such as the Writing Center, Math Center, Health Professions and the Onward Tutoring Program.

The Student Academic Service Center includes Academic Career Exploration, which Herlihy also directs. The ACE program advises students who are undecided about options

afforded different academic areas, Herlihy said.

"We're bringing together all these services for a central, easy access, no-hassle environment," said Dr. Robert Q. Dana, associate dean of Student Community Life. "It's a central clearinghouse for [students'] needs."

Herlihy first proposed the idea for a Student Academic Service Center to the university in 1977. Four years ago those ideas solidified into plans.

Doucette said the Onward Tutoring Program moved to Dunn Hall for more space and that the extra closet has been beneficial.

"The Onward building served so many students that it was like a beehive, pulsating all the time," Doucette said.

When the program was still located in the Onward building, there were more than 400 people traveling in and out of it daily, Doucette said.

"You were always fighting traffic. It was like fish swimming upstream," Doucette said. "Moving the tutoring program to Dunn Hall has alleviated traffic for everyone."

Doucette's major concern about the move is making sure returning tutors know where to go. Tutors are greatly needed in all 100- and 200-

level math, chemistry, biology, physics and biochemistry courses, Doucette said. Anyone requesting a tutor can sign up until Oct. 24.

For information on how to become a tutor or to request a tutor through the Onward Tutoring

Program, Ruth Doucette can be contacted at 581-2351 or at 104 Dunn Hall. For information on the new Student Academic Service Center, Gerald Herlihy can be contacted at 581-1831 or at 110 Dunn Hall.

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SEX MATTERS

By Sandra L. Caron, Ph.D.

Q: How do I know if I'm really ovulating? Female, Junior

A: It's really hard to tell, but one can assume that with regular menstrual periods, your system is working as it should. Generally, ovulation occurs in only one ovary each month; usually 10-16 days before the onset of the next menstrual period. Some women experience a twinge on one side of the lower abdomen during ovulation, called mittle-schmerz (German for middle pain). Around the time of ovulation there is an increase and a change in cervical mucous secretions. The mucus becomes clear, slippery, and stretchy (like egg white). It is at this time that a woman

can most easily become pregnant. If you really want to understand your body and your ovulation cycle, I suggest learning natural family planning (there are books explaining this in the Bookstore); this method teaches you how to chart your temperature and mucus changes in order to predict ovulation. You can also buy an ovulation-prediction kit at the drug store; but this can be a bit expensive, as it requires you to check your urine daily for the presence of hormones. On a more local level, I worked with a colleague here at the University of Maine on a simple method for determining ovulation - it's based on charting vaginal mucus, looking for chemical changes in secretions. If you want more information, contact Dr. Wallace at 581-2770.

Q: I know that a few beers can be a little relaxing before sex, but it seems like my girlfriend is to the point of being drunk when we have intercourse. Why? She says she likes it better when she's been drinking. Does it mean she's uncomfortable with me? Male, Junior

A: It's more likely she's uncomfortable with herself. I don't know enough to guess why she's doing it, but it sure seems like something you two need to discuss. It must feel pretty strange to try to have an intimate relationship with your girlfriend when she's in such a state. It could be that she's really not comfortable with the sexual part of the relationship. Some people

find it easier to hide behind alcohol than to be honest about what's going on. If she is willing to talk with someone about her alcohol use (and the issues related), have her contact Substance Abuse Services at 581-4031 or a counselor at the Counseling Center at 581-1392. If she is not, you may want to contact them yourself for some helpful suggestions on how to deal with this.

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matinence backlog, that includes our salaries, rent and vehicle operation to get us to the refuge."

Varney acknowledged that the refuge has received help from some local businesses. Champion donated gravel to fill some parking lots, Northland donated bark mulch to fill some trails and Old Town Canoe has donated a canoe to the refuge.

"We want people to know that we are here for them," said Robinson. "My job here

is to inform the public of what we provide."

Varney believes that Congress is taking notice of the US Fish and Wildlife's economic situation.

"Congress has pledged to give us more money and even more land," said Varney. "The only problem is that it is a double-edged sword. We want more land and we want to improve public access. But the more land we have, the more money we need to keep this place the way we feel it should be kept."



The nearly completed boardwalk which was built by the local Eagle Scouts of Milford will open to the public on October 18. (Caleb Raynor Photo.)

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Rosser

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blue ink, just to let students know that there really is a person on the other end.

Another change will be bringing UMaine students into high schools with the usual UMaine recruiters to answer questions they might have about college life.

"The best ambassadors for us at Maine are you, the students," Rosser said.

In addition to his office duties, Rosser is also teaching a class, LAS 100, which he dubbed "College 101."

"For me it's exciting, I'm learning just as the students are learning," he said.

He's also completing his doctorate in education at UMaine, nearly 20 years after he started to pursue it. Rosser started the degree when he first worked at Colby, transferring his credits whenever he's moved.

"It's sort of an honor to work at an institution where you get a degree from," he said.

Rosser has a long history in admissions office roles.

In 1978, he joined the Colby staff as

an assistant to the dean of admissions and multicultural recruiter, where he spent two years. He moved on to Boston College, where he spent 14 years as the senior assistant to the director of admissions before returning to Colby in 1994.

Rosser grew up in Highland Park, NJ and summered in Wells Beach with his parents. He described Maine's lifestyle as very healthy, both physically and psychologically.

"I've only known him for two months, but he's a great person," Priscilla Applegate, Rosser's administrative assistant, said.

While trying to meet everyone and jump into his new duties on campus, Applegate thinks her boss may be too accommodating. She said it's a full time job just keeping track of his appointment calendar.

"I think at some point he's going to have to say no," Applegate said. "I'm just hoping he doesn't burn out before we really get to know him."

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Maine Adaptive Sports also collaborates with Maine Handicapped Skiing to provide an adaptive ski instruction program at Hermon Mountain.

Chris Popper, a seven-year-old from Bangor with Cerebral Palsy was enjoying himself by trying wheelchair basketball.

"He uses a walker but he just had surgery, that's why he is using a chair," said Popper's mother Bonnie. Popper had two brightly-colored casts covering his legs.

"I really want to begin practicing," yelled Popper, as Pellegrini was trying to psyche him up while he was being video/taped. Popper's mother said he has participated in regular soccer and basketball programs in the Bangor Area.

Maine Adaptive Sports and Recreation, in conjunction with Maine Action Coalition and United Cerebral Palsy, have set

up a transportation service for people with disabilities in the Greater Bangor area. The Transportation service is a flexible way for people with disabilities to travel in the area. Right now the service is limited due to a shortage of volunteers, but soon will be expanding.

Maine Adaptive Sports is hosting a "Celebrity Slam" on Oct. 23rd. from 6 to 9 p.m. at Eastern Maine Technical Center. Local celebrities such as Tabitha King will be challenging the quad rugby and the wheelchair basketball teams. If you feel like "nominating" a University "celebrity", call Dave Pellegrini at 942-1032.

The Maine Adaptive Sports and Recreation web page can be found at <http://www.agate.net/~pelle/index.html>. The Rec Ride web page is at <http://www.telplus.net/~recride>.



Dave Pellegrini (right) talks with Craig Parsons about competing in wheelchair athletics and activities. Pellegrini is the executive director of Maine Adaptive Sports and Recreation. (Caleb Raynor Photo.)

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• Police report

Driving violations continue

By Kathryn Ritchie
Maine Campus staff

Five people were cited for motor vehicle violations this week.

Michael Young, no age available, was summoned for imprudent speed and failure to report a property-damaging accident. Troy Douglas, 25, was summoned for driving without a license and without headlights. Jennifer Ouellette, 19, was summoned for failure to stop at a stop sign. Mary Tableman, 49, was summoned for having an uninspected motor vehicle. Cynthia Botett, 20, was summoned for imprudent speeding.

In other police business:

• On Friday, Sept. 12, Officers Chris Hashey and Joel Small investigated a large gathering in Hart Hall at 1:07 a.m. Bryant Portwine, 20, and Daniel Bachelder, 20, were summoned for illegal possession of alcohol minors.

• On Friday at 11:15 p.m., Hashey investigated the smell of marijuana in Gannett Hall. Daniel Gregoire, 20, was summoned for possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

• Also on Friday at 11:36 p.m., Hashey and Small saw a man with alcohol in a dorm room.

Daniel Augers, 18, was charged with illegal possession of alcohol by a minor.

• On Saturday, Sept. 13, Public Safety received a report at 3:16 p.m. that a student had a stolen road sign in his room. Scott Kamholtz, 22, was summoned for possession of stolen property.

• On Monday, Sept. 15, Hashey investigated the smell of marijuana in Hart Hall at 1:02 a.m. Shawn Baldwin, 21, was summoned for possession of marijuana.


• Also on Monday, Public Safety received a call from the Portland Police Department about a man with a warrant for his arrest who might have been on campus. Terrence Hunt, 23, was arrested for failure to appear in court.

• Four bikes were stolen on campus this week from Cumberland, Somerset, Androscoggin and Stodder Halls. In most cases, the bikes were unlocked and on racks.

Public Safety would like to remind students that two new laws take effect today. Anytime drivers turn on their windshield wipers, their headlights are required to be turned on. Drivers can now also be summonsed for not wearing a seat belt without being summonsed for anything else.

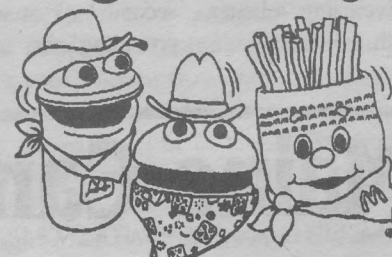
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EDITORIAL

People's veto misguided

The Christian Civic League of Maine and the Christian Coalition of Maine announced Thursday that they met their goal of receiving 51,131 signatures to force a referendum that would veto the "gay rights" law the Legislature passed last spring. A special election must now take place after the November elections.

The Maine Human Rights Act's gay rights amendment, which was slated to take effect today, promises to end discrimination on the basis of sexual preference in housing, public accommodations, credit and employment within the state of Maine. However, despite successful passage of the act and a defeat of a similar referendum two years earlier by Maine voters, gay rights foes have decided to ignore the inevitable.

The debate over whether sexual preference should be included in civil rights protection has been brewing since 1995, when Carolyn Cosby and Concerned Maine Families introduced a referendum to bar anti-discrimination protection for homosexuals. Maine voters defeated the infamous Question 1; since then the Maine residents have made their position clear time and again.

Gov. Angus King supported the "gay rights" amendment, as did the Legislature. And an informal survey of University of Maine students conducted last spring by *The Maine Campus* suggested that most people believe the referendum to be a non-issue that will not directly affect their lives.

The fact that the law has been termed the "gay rights" amendment shows how greatly the issue has been blown out of proportion by fundamentalists. The anti-discrimination measure will not create new rights and privileges but will rather introduce homosexuals as a class of people listed in the long string of disclaimers at the bottom of institutional publications and provide legal recourse for those who can prove that they have faced discrimination.

Not only do these conservative organizations wish to legalize discrimination, they are wasting valuable time and resources. This issue does not warrant a special statewide election day in mid-winter, and it's likely that most Maine people, beleaguered of the issue, probably won't even turn out to vote on the veto.

Tourism provides jobs

With summer coming to an end in a few days, most Mainers are probably happy to see the tourist season end with it.

Although it would be nice not to have to deal with the congestion and bumper to bumper traffic that seems to be growing each year, Mainers should appreciate tourists for the amount of money they have invested into the state's economy.

This summer was one of Maine's most profitable because of an immense increase in tourist spending. Tourists spent more than \$128 million on food and lodging in July alone. Restaurant figures rose 8 percent and hotel figures rose 11 percent from July 1996.

Maine's state parks had a 24.9 percent jump in daily use in July compared to July 1996.

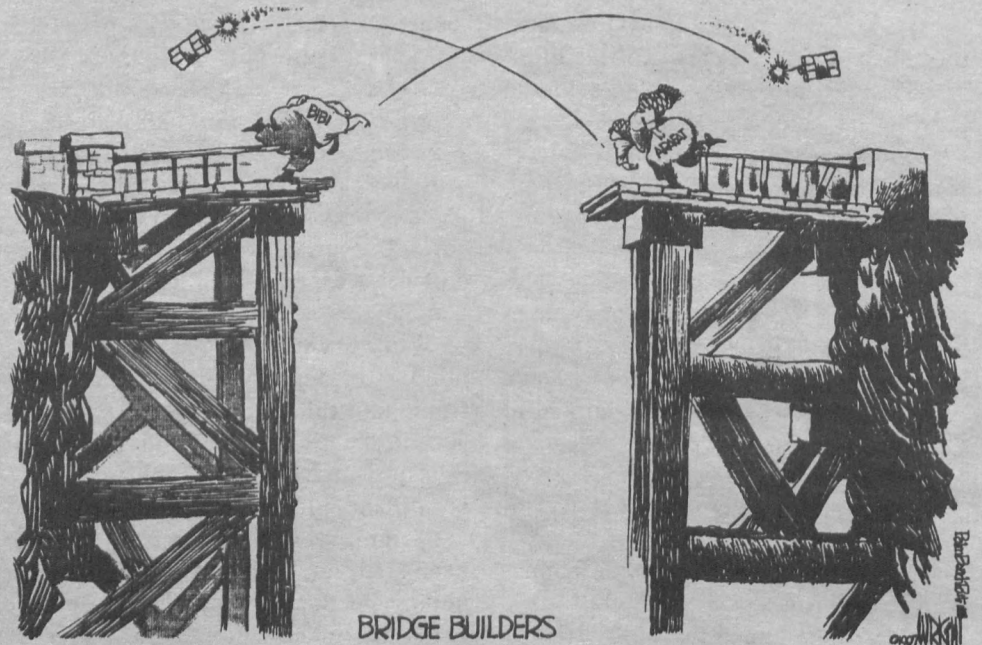
The amount of attention tourists are giving Maine has been due to a variety of factors, including an increase in advertising, a better economy and word of mouth.

Maine's economy hasn't been at its best lately and money that is invested in the state plays a crucial role in how well the economy fares. Rather than complain about what a hassle it is for Mainers to get around during tourist season, Mainers should take pride in the state's tourist appeal. Aroostook County's economy, in particular, has been troubled since Loring Air Force Base closed.

When Phish performed at the former air base, not only did Maine's economy as a whole benefit, but Aroostook County's as well. The County received a \$30 million injection.

So while I-95 was packed with Volkswagen buses, surrounding grocery stores were emptied and there were no vacancies in the surrounding lodging areas. There seems to be no reason to complain.

In the future, if tourism can benefit Maine's economy as much as it did this year, people who complain about tourists should take a second look at what they are really doing: providing jobs.



• Column

GSS squanders opportunity

The following column is intended for the approximately 6,000 students who did not have the privilege of attending the latest episode of the General Student Senate.

Apparently, Student Government is bent on continuing a policy of non-productivity and avoidance of issues pertaining to the student body. Throw in a healthy dose of bickering and you get a student government that for the last three weeks has served only as a foil for *The Maine Campus*.

This Tuesday, the General Student Senate not only denied an operating budget to an existing club, but managed to insult the club as well.

This semester, the American Marketing Association attempted to correct mistakes made by its former president. Three mistakes prevented the club from receiving money allocated to it in the spring budget process. Realizing that they had been denied funding after having missed last year's budget meeting, the GSS had denied it funds, club leaders returned and asked for two-thirds of their original allocation of \$300.

The Executive Budgetary Committee decided that \$100 would be ample for the 45-member group. Opposing the \$100, Residents On Campus President and Senator Ryan Eslinger suggested \$1. A single dollar. Of course, this was suggested behind closed doors and perhaps was even proffered in jest, but the humor was lost when the remark was raised in the senate meeting for all to hear. Even if it was suggested as a means to keep the AMA account open, it was a slap in the face from an organization with a budget rollover of nearly \$80,000.

If senators wished to run a tight ship for the 1997-98 academic year, they should not have reversed their philosophy at the third senate meeting. Offhandedly splitting up the Student Entertainment and Activities board senators succeeded in eliminating a board that allocates programming dollars for

the entire university. ROC and Off Campus Board, as representative boards, have specific constituencies, whose interests they have to fulfill. SEA, as a service board, could have orchestrated large campus events more easily.

As of 8 a.m., Sept. 2, SEA was left without a chair due to graduation. Rather than advertise the position and recruit someone to put the \$20,000 toward quality campuswide programming, GSS voted, a mere 11 hours after the semester began, to divvy up the loot among other organizations.

As usual, certain senators made themselves out to be the benefactors. In particular, Ryan Eslinger boasted that he had won \$10,000 for on-campus students, as if he had found it on the street and donated it to ROC.

Wasn't this sizable piece of change already the students' money in the first place?

GSS had the advantage. An experienced senate, established committees and, as a surprising first, a voting quorum in attendance at the first few meetings should have guaranteed results from the seasoned senate. The opportunity was squandered.

Committees are designed to draft and introduce legislation. Yet, no legislation that directly benefits students has yet been drafted. Perhaps, in the future, committees should consist of more than two people. Senators who have known and worked with each other over the course of the last year should have been able to work together without the squabbling that occurred Tuesday night.

The senate should have hit the ground running. Maybe the new legislative body will jump start the University of Maine's most valuable student group. A new president and administration present a perfect opportunity to make a favorable first impression. Senators must ask themselves if they have the ability to win the confidence of both the student body and the new administration over the course of the year.

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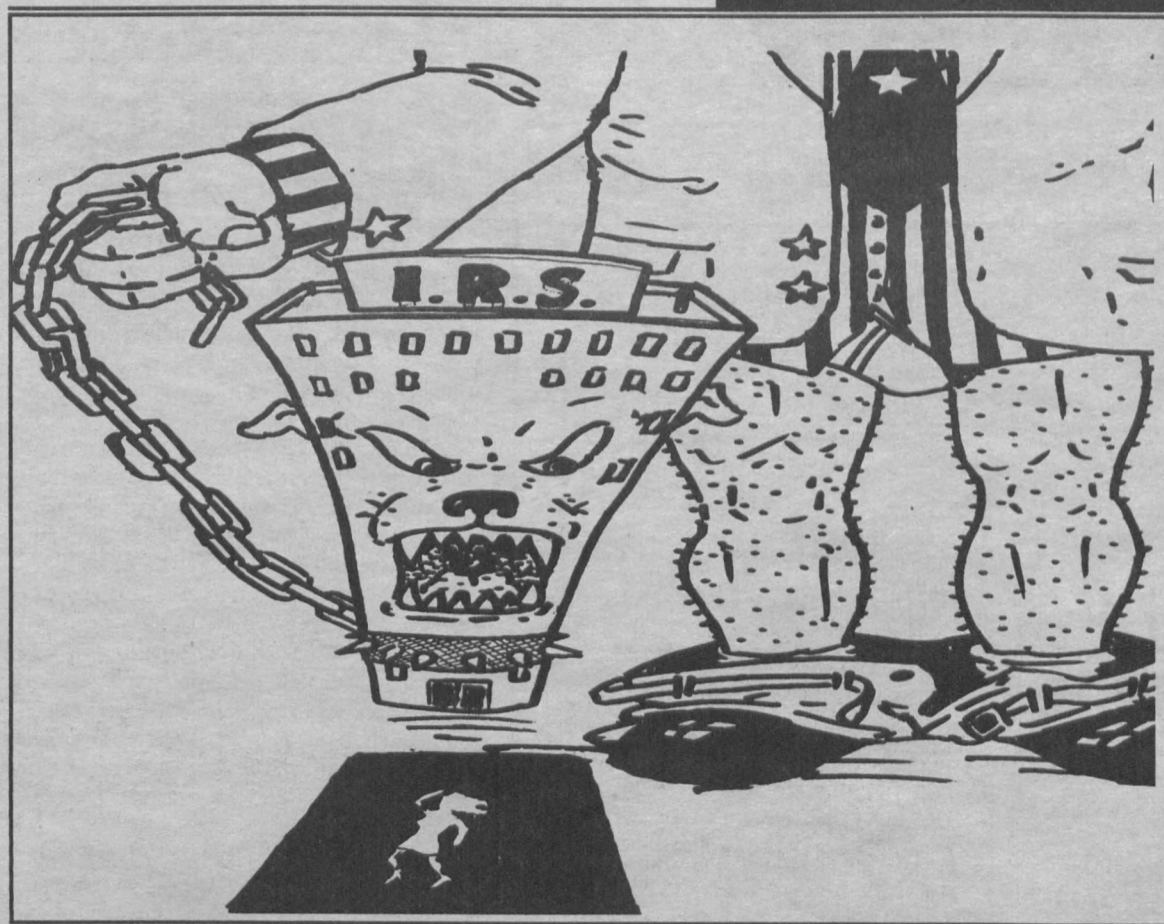
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Paula Jones audit makes perfect sense

Paula Jones' finances are now being dragged through the same mud her reputation has already seen.

Two months after subpoenaing an Arkansas police department, the governor's office and her former employer, Jones is under attack by the IRS.

This could be passed off as a coincidence if it weren't for two things: the Jones family's only income is a whopping \$37,000 her husband pulls in a year to support her and their two children AND Jones is su-

The audit comes a month after Jones turned down a settlement offer from the president: \$700,000 and a "statement of regret" about her injured reputation. Jones' attorneys quit after she refused the settlement offer. The president was probably so bent she wouldn't accept the offer that had her audited. It all makes perfect sense.

Jones is standing her ground and doing the right thing. If she

I can't blame Jones for not accepting Clinton's deal, because the deal itself is an admission of his weakness. If he were confident of his innocence, then he would not have offered her the money. Why would he stoop to apologizing to a woman he claims he's never met unless he knows he's lying?

I can't wait until next spring when Clinton and Jones have their day in court. I guarantee the media coverage will be at least as good as the O.J. Simpson trials. Clinton, with his suave smile and flashing gray hair, will try to win the courtroom over with a humble chuckle or two. Hillary will sit in the corner, stonefaced, mortified on the inside.

I think most people doubt Clinton's innocence. They can only hear so many stories from ex-girlfriends and former employees to know he's got a knack for dropping his drawers.

Let Jones have her day in court. I hope she sues his pants off.

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By Kathryn Ritchie



ing the most powerful man in the world.

The whole thing reeks of halibut.

The White House staff has called the notion that President Clinton arranged the audit "certifiably crazy."

If the president had the gall to ask police troopers to arrange his dates with cute state employees, I see nothing crazy about pulling some strings at the IRS.

believes she was wronged, then she should go for Clinton's jugular. As it is, she will already go down in the history books as the woman who won citizens the right to sue a sitting president. Hopefully the 9-0 Supreme Court decision allowing Jones' case to proceed while Clinton is in office will send a strong message to future presidents that they are equally accountable for their messy affairs as everyone else.

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Back to basics with hi-tech learning

There's something odd about being able to take college classes without having to set foot on a college campus. To be able to watch a professor miles away on television sounds too easy. And now students can take classes at home over the Internet?

These ideas reek of those pathetic late-night Sally Struthers TV commercials for some correspondence school.

As folks from the old school are probably saying, getting a college degree needs to be more difficult watching television or sitting at a computer.

stead of trying to wow the eight professors who attended with a fancy demonstration, Patton focused on what he learned this summer at the American Society for Engineering Education's annual conference. The information Patton received at the conference was enough to fill a three-ring binder. Most of the information focused on how educators can best communicate with students, addressing topics from teacher-student relations to effective writing

By Ryan Robbins



I used to think the same thing. If I had to attend class, so should everyone else. You couldn't possibly get the same educational experience watching professors on television as you can sitting a few feet away from them. Nor could you possibly get an adequate education via computer.

But the Education Network of Maine – an idea that's been debated since the 1960s – has grown. Earlier this summer an attorney from Orlando, Fla., became the first University of Maine student to complete a course conducted entirely over the Internet.

The advances in technology that have enabled professors to use television and the Internet have forced educators to think more about how people learn. Once upon a time, a teacher stood in front of their class and lectured for 50 minutes, writing key concepts on the blackboard and expecting students to jot notes quickly. If students missed class, they had to get the notes from classmates. If students didn't understand a lesson, they could talk with the professor after class or make an office appointment. For some people and courses, the traditional teaching method works. For others, it doesn't.

On Monday, James Patton, an associate professor of electrical engineering and interim director of Instructional Technologies, held the first in a series of seminars on implementing Internet-based courses. In-

skills.

As I sat in on Monday's seminar, I realized that the problems educators face in the traditional classroom setting are the same as those that educators face in non-traditional settings, such as ITV and the Internet.

Some people argue that ITV and Internet courses hinder student-teacher relationships. But if such courses could implement electronic conferences, such as those found on UMaine's FirstClass bulletin board system, students may be more inclined to participate in discussions.

Perhaps the best way to educate would be to combine the old with the new: allowing students to attend lectures, participate in on-line class discussions and review the professor's notes on-line while allowing students to download audio and video files from classes.

Whatever the outcome of the university system's foray into ITV and Internet courses, technology and the problems associated with it will open new doors to students who wouldn't otherwise be interested in learning on their own, and will have prompted educators to evaluate their teaching ability. After all, what good is a lesson that doesn't connect with the students?

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Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

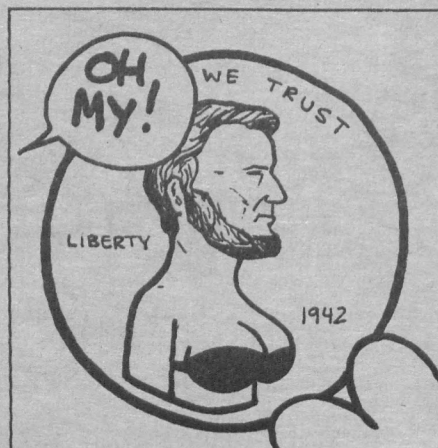
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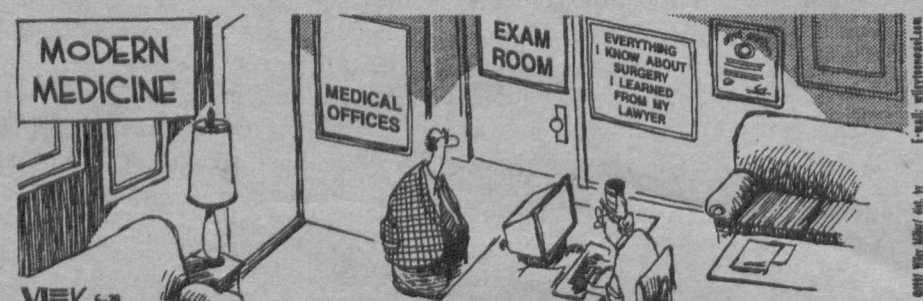
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When I would go to a party I'd get very nervous that no one would want to talk to me..... which would make me even more nervous.

So I would sit by myself terrified that I looked lonely and uninteresting.

But after a while a friend came over and sat with me. Whew, relieved! I reminded him that I owed him some money and that I would pay him a dollar right now.

Pretty soon a girl came over to talk to him. Then a girl came over to talk to the first girl. After a while I was surrounded by people.

I started to feel anxious and slipped over to a quiet dark corner where no one would bother me.

I felt a little lonely and miserable, and.... I lost a dollar.



For Friday, September 19

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: Some say we use only one-tenth of the brain power we have at our command. Which means you only have to up your work rate a little bit to leave rivals and competitors far behind. Imagine the impossible, then find a way to do it. Nothing is impossible if you want it enough.

ARIES (March 21 - April 19): Get routine matters out of the way as quickly as possible today. The weekend beckons and you don't want anything to spoil your enjoyment, especially the nagging feeling that something important remains undone. It may not be important in the least but deal with it anyway. Then relax.

TAURUS (April 20 - May 20): Conserve your energy today and don't start anything you know you cannot finish before the Sun goes down. Tomorrow's highly positive aspects to Neptune suggest that this weekend could be one of the most magical of the year so far. Don't wear yourself out before it arrives.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20): Forget about money worries and family feuds - if you approach the day ahead of you in a positive frame of mind you will soon find something to smile about. A little of what you fancy is never a bad thing, so cheer yourself up and do something which you thoroughly enjoy.

CANCER (June 21 - July 22): You need to be in the right place at the right time to take advantage of today's opportunities. How do you make sure of that? Simply by listening to your inner voice and acting immediately on what it tells you. How quick you react could make the difference between success and failure.

LEO (July 23 - Aug. 22): Make things easy for yourself today: simply refuse to dwell on anything of a negative nature, be it to do with work, relationships or finances. The fact is there is nothing you can do to change the situation for the better - not yet anyway - so what's the point in even thinking about it?

VIRGO (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22): It is not what others say or do that matters - it is what you know in your heart of hearts to be true. Mind you, if you do the exact opposite of what partners and colleagues suggest you won't go far wrong either. Life is only a treadmill for those lacking their own direction.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 - Oct. 22): The Sun moves into your birth sign on Monday, so you could do worse than spend the next three days planning to make a big impression. However, tomorrow's Sun-Neptune aspect should remind you not to get too deeply immersed in material things. You know they are an illusion.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 - Nov. 21): If you feel comfortable with certain people, then be with those people. If you feel out of place with a particular crowd, get up and leave. Someone as independent as you doesn't need to be seen with the "right" people in the "right" places. Make it so they want to be seen with you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21): Sagittarians come in all shapes and sizes but they all have one thing in common - an unquenchable thirst for life. But even Sagittarians need to slow down occasionally and think about what they are doing - and why. A little self-analysis would not go amiss today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19): Don't intrude on someone else's grief today. Even if you think you can be of service your efforts will be wasted if they get the impression - wrongly, of course - that you are interfering for the sake of it. Keep a respectful distance unless invited to do otherwise.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18): Make whatever decisions you feel most comfortable with today and don't give much thought to where you might be headed. Once the Sun moves into your fellow Air sign of Libra on Monday your sense of adventure will demand to be released. Don't try to hold it in.

PISCES (Feb. 19 - March 20): Tomorrow's Sun-Neptune aspect should make you feel a whole lot better about your relationships, especially those of an emotional nature. Not that there was much to feel bad about in the first place but you do have a tendency to overreact to imagined slights.

Your Daily Horoscope

By Sally Brompton

For Saturday, September 20

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS TODAY: Aim for your highest ideal this year. Other targets may seem easier to reach or offer more in the way of financial rewards but there is more to life than easy victories and material comfort. Do something that helps others help themselves – it will help you feel your life is worthwhile.

ARIES (March 21 – April 19): You may be feeling suspicious today, thinking there is a hidden catch to everything. It could be that someone is offering you something because they like you or because it is their nature to want to share. Not everyone is as self-serving as you currently appear to believe.

TAURUS (April 20 – May 20): Do what your conscience tells you is right this weekend, even if it means you end up out of pocket or in an authoritative person's bad books. Success and status mean nothing unless you know you deserve them and you won't deserve them if you deliberately bend or ignore the rules.

GEMINI (May 21 – June 20): Make an effort to be nice to people you don't always get along with this weekend. They may not make much of an effort to be nice in return but that is not the point of the exercise. You have certain standards of behavior and if you allow them to fall so will your self-esteem.

CANCER (June 21 – July 22): Be open about your emotions this weekend. You may be defensive by nature but there are times when you can sense it is right to let the world know how you feel. This is one of them. Why cut yourself off from people who can help you and give you the love you require?

LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22): The past few weeks may have been tough for you but already you can sense a change in the air. Once the Sun enters Libra on Monday you will feel much brighter about your prospects – personally, professionally and financially. This weekend, take it easy and keep telling yourself how lucky you are.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 22): Everyone has anxieties but not everyone worries about them as much as you. This weekend's dazzling Sun-Neptune aspect urges you to think only positive thoughts. Believe it or not, Virgo is one of the most favored signs of the Zodiac at the moment. You have no reason to be unhappy.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 – Oct. 22): Leave well alone this weekend. It does not matter how sorry you feel for one person or how angry you feel with another, friends and relatives must be left to settle their own differences in their own way. It is good of you to want to help but why waste your weekend? No one will appreciate it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 – Nov. 21): You are a person of strong likes and dislikes – and you seldom change your views. Having said that, being a Water sign your emotions run deep. Someone, somewhere is about to benefit from your generosity. Be sure they deserve it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 – Dec. 21): No one is plotting behind your back. No one has it in for you. In fact, if you are a little less suspicious this weekend you may find that someone in a position of power is offering you a very good deal indeed. There are no strings attached – it is just your imagination playing tricks on you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 19): It is just not true that Capricorns lack humor – and you will get the chance to prove it this weekend. You don't have to do anything special, just give the outside world a glimpse of the real you beneath that sensible down-to-earth mask.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 – Feb. 18): The events of the past few weeks have no doubt been a drain on your resources but look on the bright side because a more positive phase is just around the corner. Put behind you any feelings of regret or remorse this weekend – by Monday it simply won't matter any more.

PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20): You will feel at peace with yourself and in tune with the world at large this weekend, thanks to today's wonderful Sun-Neptune aspect. Seek out people who mean a lot to you, people you feel naturally in tune with. Together you can move mountains – if you feel that energetic.

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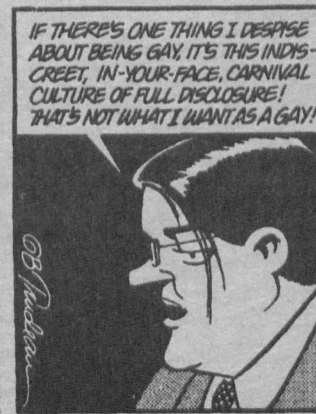
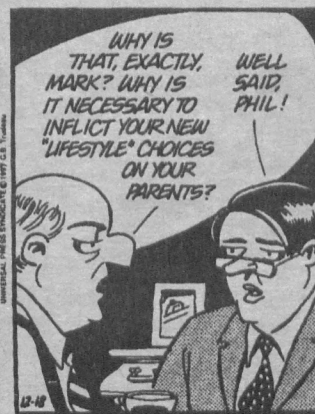
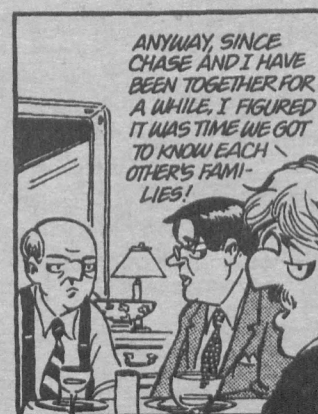
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14 Kind of anesthetic
16 Roll call response
18 "I before E except after C," e.g.
17 Make amends
18 The witch's end in "Hansel and Gretel"
19 Where India is
20 Restorative
21 Attorney General Janet
22 Ollie's partner in slapstick
23 Popular oil additive
25 Tough as —

- 27 One leads to Loch Lomond
31 Mounted again
35 Collection of anecdotes
36 One of 7-Down
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39 Signal for an act to end
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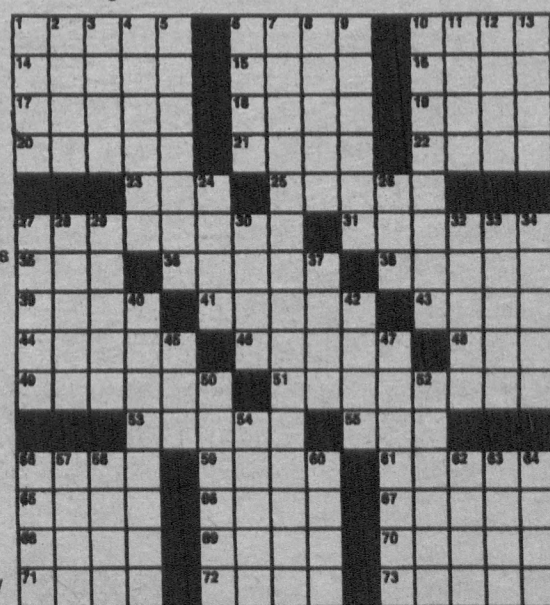
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69 Singer Turner
70 Gypsy's deck
71 One of 7-Down
72 Midterm, e.g.
73 One of 7-Down

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5 Sophocles tragedy
6 God with a hammer
7 This puzzle's theme
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10 High military muck-a-muck
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30 Taj Mahal site
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40 One of 7-Down
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Style and the Arts

• Hudson Museum

Children's program lecture to highlight new exhibit

ORONO – The latest exhibit at the University of Maine's Hudson Museum promises to give visitors an appreciation for ancient Peru.

"Empires Emerging: Collecting the Peruvian Past" opens Saturday with spectacular examples of art from Inca, Huari, Chimu, Nasca, Moche and other cultures.

The exhibit will give museum visitors the chance to learn about the history of Peru before the Spanish Conquest and appreciate the art of different cultures. A portion of the exhibit also is likely to lead them to consider the ethics of collecting such ancient artifacts and the value of such collections for research.

On the exhibit's opening day, the Hudson Museum will kick off its "just for Kids" series for children. The program will begin at 10 a.m. with the theme "Face Ornaments from Ancient Peru." It will introduce children to the ancient Peruvian tradition of using

gold mouth masks, forehead ornaments and ear ornaments to mark special events.

The "Just for Kids" series will run once a month, starting Saturday and ending April 23. In addition to making Peruvian masks, children will play games and learn about Native Americans, Inuits and archaeology in the monthly programs. This eighth-annual series will end with a visit from the Milkweed Puppet Theater.

Admission for each of the seven programs is \$2 per child, which covers the cost of materials. Space in Saturday's program is limited to 15 children. Guided tours of the "Empires Emerging" will feature a video about Machu Picchu, an archaeological site at an ancient Inca ruin, and include activities for school groups.

In conjunction with the exhibit, James B.

Richardson III, chair of the Division of Anthropology at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History in Pittsburgh and a respected Andeanist scholar, will give a free public lecture titled "Collecting Pre-Columbian Peru: Archaeological Research vs. Treasure, Loot and Booty."

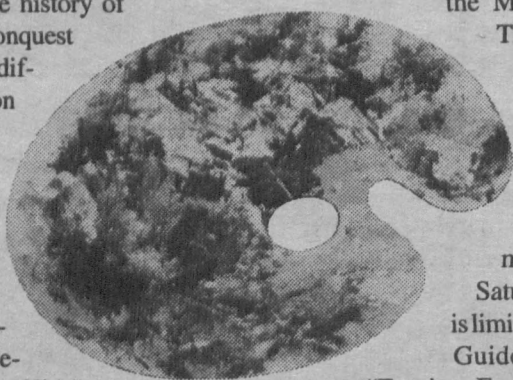
The lecture is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. at the museum.

"Empires Emerging" is scheduled to run

through April 26 at the Hudson Museum in the Maine Center for the Arts on the UMaine campus. Admission is free.

The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekends. It is closed Mondays and Fridays.

For more information, or to pre-register for the children's programs, which is required, call the museum at 581-1901.



• Style file

Don't get taken to the cleaners

By Erin Tucker
Maine Campus staff

If you're like me, you hate paying all those outrageous dry cleaning bills. It seems like the bills from the cleaners can add up to be more than the article of clothing itself. I've had plenty of experience with this. For example, last week I brought a skirt, three sweaters and a pair of pants to the cleaners. The bill came to a whopping \$28.62.

At that rate, cleaning clothes can soon become more expensive than the clothes themselves. If it costs an arm and a leg to clean a \$22.99 sale-price skirt, what's the point of buying it in the first place?

I was so astounded by my bill that I had to call my mum. After reminding me that she always tells me not to buy too many dry-clean-only clothes, she actually had quite a few hints on how to wash them myself.

For starters, she said that I shouldn't just drop my clothes on the floor or the bed when I change after I get home from classes. Instead, I should hang them somewhere, like on the shower rack, so they can air out. Doing this will cut down on the frequency in which you will have to wash or dry clean your clothing.

Cotton: Most cotton can be washed safely. It is a rugged fabric and can usually be washed in the washing machine unless it is lined.

Rayon: Rayon is another story. It is a very delicate fabric, as I learned this summer. I tried washing my black rayon slip dress in the sink. It could now pass for part

of Barbie's wardrobe. Rayon should at least be sent to the cleaners the first few times it has to be washed. After that, you can test a seam by putting a dab of water on it. As the water dries, if the fabric seems to shrink, you should continue to bring it to the cleaners. If not, you can assume that it is okay to wash by hand.

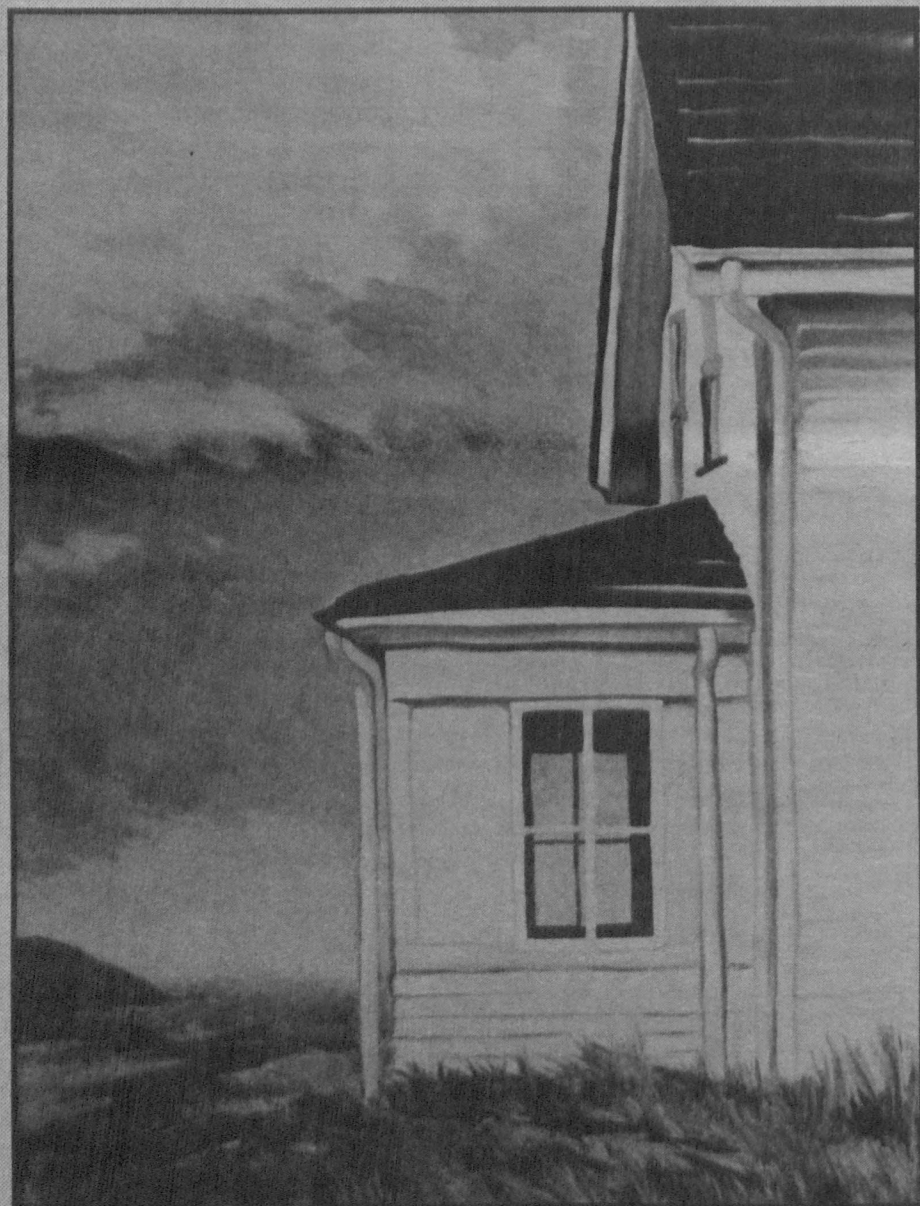
Silk: Silk can be hand-washed if it is of good quality. Good quality silk will not wrinkle. Otherwise, it should always be dry-cleaned. A tablespoon of ammonia can be added to the mixture of dishwashing soap and tepid water when hand-washing silk. About a third of a cup of vinegar can be used when rinsing to get rid of all the soap.

Wool: Wool can be washed the way you would wash silk, with a little dishwashing liquid or some other mild soap and some ammonia. Use vinegar in the rinse. You could also try using a tablespoon of olive oil in the rinse. Always dry wool clothing flat.

Delicates: You can wash delicates, such as bras or camisoles, in a net bag like they sell at Wal-Mart or Lechters. These help protect your delicates in the washing machine.

Remember this, however, before reading any further: If the tag says "dry clean ONLY," take it to the cleaners. If it says "dry clean," you may be able to wash it yourself. These are just suggestions, things my mother has learned over the years. I make no claims that they will work for everyone. In short, don't beat me up if your clothes shrink after following these suggestions.

Hanging in Chadbourne



"Red Sky at Night, Sailors' Delight..." an oil painting by Mary Whitely of Orono, is part of the Bangor Art Society's art exhibition. The works, by local artists, can be seen in the first floor hallway and conference room of the Continuing Education Division in Chadbourne Hall. (Dave Gagne Photo.)

From the home office at Beta Theta Pi

Top ten worst excuses for being late for class

- 10) My crack dealer was tardy.
- 9) I picked up a copy of Mr. Gnu and it was so enthralling I couldn't put it down.
- 8) Well, you know how time flies when you're browsing through pornography.
- 7) You've got to understand that I'm a freshman — by credits.
- 6) Busily picketing Shibles.
- 5) Four words: Wednesday's two-dollar margaritas
- 4) My set ran long and then some loser wanted a lap dance.
- 3) Silly me, I went and misplaced the keys to my handcuffs.
- 2) My parole officer is quite chatty.
- 1) How familiar are you with the library's policy on nudity in Special Collections? Me neither.

By Eric Simonds

• In theaters

Moore makes comeback as maligned female SEAL

By Greg Dowling
Maine Campus staff

Poor Demi Moore. She went from being a box-office golden child with blockbusters like "Ghost," "Indecent Proposal" and "Disclosure" to being the bomb queen with flops like "The Scarlet Letter" and "Striptease." Critics panned her. Audiences started to turn on her. Producers wavered on whether she really should be America's highest paid actress. Change, however, appears to be the order of the day with "G.I. Jane," which strips Moore of her vanity and reveals the actress beneath. "G.I. Jane" also appears to be her ticket back on the box-office gravy train.

"G.I. Jane" is the story of Lt. Jordan O'Neill (Moore), a topographical map reader for the military, who applies to the Navy SEALs, which is the toughest, most agonizingly rigorous program in all of the armed forces. Such an opportunity has not been available to her because of the sexism of the armed forces, who go weak in the spine at the idea of woman in combat, until Texas Democrat Senator Lillian DeHaven (Anne Bancroft) gets to put a female test case in the Navy SEALs training program.

Enter Lt. O'Neill.

Jordan is pushed to the extreme of physical and psychological endurance right along with the boys, although she does have to fight for that happy privilege, as her superiors try to cut her training regiment with special "female" obstacles. Jordan is forced to eat out of the trash, do push-ups in the freezing ocean surf and get the living crap kicked out of her by her command master chief (played with surly intensity by Viggo Mortensen of "Crimson Tide" and "Daylight"). She grins and bears it and even excels in some areas over her male counterparts.

Things get murkier when she is framed as a lesbian by some mysterious source, which I will not reveal. She also experiences a variety of tensions in her relationship with her boyfriend, also a military official, who gets put in the awkward position of having to investigate Jordan, as his relationship with her is not known by the higher-ups.

"G.I. Jane" is a first-rate piece of work. Director Ridley Scott drapes the film in style. The cinematography gives the film an atmospheric and handsome look. He makes Jordan a heroine without the film degenerating in some soapbox speech about women's rights. Scott

goes for broke by showing us Jordan's struggle to prove her mettle. One of the film's best scenes is when Jordan's crew is subjected to a vividly realistic simulation by the commander master chief. He beats her senseless to let her know what it feels like to be a POW. Jordan's responses are exhilarating. This scene is a hypnotic and rousing piece of movie-making.

This film couldn't have come at a better time, with all the discussion of the infuriating double standard applied to women in the military. This past year, the dishonorable discharge of a female Air Force pilot Kelly Flynn for committing adultery (even though she was not the one who was married) made headlines and led to widespread public outrage, and rightly so. "G.I. Jane" reminds us that the despicable sexism by our armed forces is a grim reality, not some Hollywood exaggeration. "G.I. Jane" has a resonance that is just plain eerie.

Demi Moore gives an outstanding performance that I hope is remembered by the Academy come Oscar time. She takes off the layers of glamour, as well as her hair, and adds rippling biceps to give us a ferocious and inspiring female heroine. Moore has always

been a strong actress, and I believe "G.I. Jane" will remind audiences of this.

Moore has strong support from Mortensen, an up-and-coming actor who I think we will see much more of after this film. However, Bancroft is the standout among the supporting players. She gnaws happily away at her big bitchy role, with her silvery locks hanging in her eyes, and a Granny Clampett accent. She is a lot of fun to watch gives life to the more conventional scenes.

"G.I. Jane" isn't as compelling as last summer's military drama, "Courage Under Fire," but it does give us a fascinating glimpse at military sexual politics. While the film isn't always convincing, it has an undercurrent of truth to compensate. "G.I. Jane" is doing well at the box office, which means more films of this kind could be in the works. "G.I. Jane" is exciting entertainment, a rare feminist drama that never trades guts, grit, and drama for sanctimony.

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Somewhat obscure film delivers goods

By Hunter Tzovarras
Maine Campus staff

Most movies try to get a reaction or emotional response from the audience by dazzling us with special effects or thrilling us with an elusive plot. But "Ulee's Gold" has neither of those elements. And in the end, by just creating real human characters through good basic acting, "Ulee's Gold" leaves a more memorable and visceral mark than any high-budget Hollywood film could accomplish.

Because of its modest production and marketing budget, most people have probably never heard of "Ulee's Gold." The film was originally released on June 20, and was lost beneath the giant blockbusters of the summer. Although it went almost unnoticed by audiences, the film is truly one of those rare Hollywood productions that puts acting and character development as first priority.

Walking into this film I did not really know what to expect. I had no clue about the plot. And I only knew what to expect for cast by looking at the movie poster before walking in. Watching the film, I realized that plot was secondary, that it was not dictating and forcing the characters down some ineluctable path toward an inevitable climax and denouement. But rather, the film just followed its characters through a sort of natural progression, moving the story along by human rules, not plot rules.

The film's real and uncontrived feel can be credited to director Victor Nunez and the wonderful cast he assembled. Taking the lead role is Peter Fonda as Ulee Jackson. Ulee is a third generation beekeeper, and a

good one at that. He takes great pride in his work, and it seems to be the only thing he is completely comfortable with.

But Ulee has much on his mind these days. He still has not recovered from his wife's death six years past, and his son, Jimmy, is in prison for armed robbery, leaving Ulee to raise his two granddaughters on his own. Working alone, and always refusing outside help in any area, Ulee has almost committed himself to a reclusive life.

The scenes between Ulee and his 9-year-old granddaughter (Vanessa Zima) always seem to hit the right key. Whether it's her questioning him about his platoon in Vietnam, watching him retrieve bees, or just riding home with him from school. Ulee is less compatible with his older teenage granddaughter Cassie (Jessica Biel) who tests his presents as surrogate father.

Ulee visits Jimmy (Tom Wood) and is asked to go to Orlando and bring back home his wife Helen (Christine Dunford). Ulee objects, loathing her for abandoning her family, but later concedes. Helen, drugged and maddened, is staying in a doggerel shack

with Jimmy's stick-up buddies, Ferris and Eddie (Dewey Weber and Steven Flynn). Another important event happens here, which hangs over the rest of the story and

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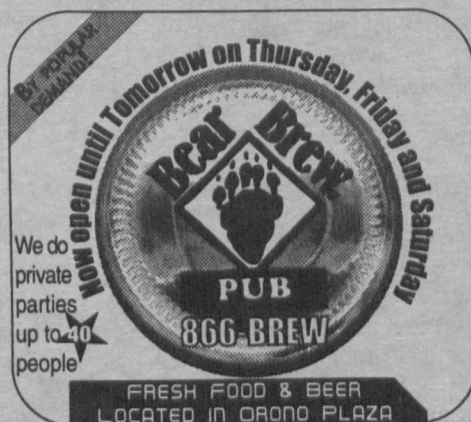


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• Burger wars

In defense, McDonald's set to replicate the Whopper

NEW YORK (AP) — Move over Big King, here comes another cloned hamburger.

Just weeks after Burger King announced the debut of its knock-off of McDonald's Big Mac, McDonald's is selling a new burger that is remarkably similar to Burger King's old standard, the Whopper, The Wall Street Journal reported Wednesday.

The new sandwich is being sold under a variety of names, including the "QPLT" (for Quarter Pounder with lettuce and tomato) in Portland, Ore., "The Big 'n Tasty" in Los Angeles, and "The Rocket" in Raleigh, N.C., after local

football player Raghib "Rocket" Ismail, the Journal reported.

A spokesman for the Oak Brook, Ill., company insisted that the new burger was an original.

"We're not attempting to draw any overt parallels to anyone else's sandwiches with this," said spokesman Chuck Ebeling. "We're looking for things that will attract both regular and new customers to McDonald's, and if that resemblance is in their minds, it's coincidental."

Like its name, the new burger's ingredients will vary from region to region. It is being sold in regions dotting the Unit-

ed States.

In Shreveport, La., the burger will be served with a pepper-mustard sauce; Californians will get a "savory sauce" and Iowans will have to settle for plain mayonnaise.

Miami-based Burger King says it isn't

worried about the new competition.

"We view McDonald's as a very healthy competitor," said Burger King spokeswoman Kim Miller. "But we believe the Whopper has been and will continue to be the gold standard in premium sandwiches."

Ulee

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affects Ulee's behavior. It cannot be given an adequate description in a few sentences.

Helen comes home still affected by drugs and some sort of mental disorder, which requires medical care. Ulee is unable to adequately care for her, so he reluctantly takes help from Connie Hope (Patricia Richardson of "Home Improvement"), a nurse who lives across the street. Throughout the film, Connie and Ulee develop a close, platonic relationship. There are points, however, where it seems Connie is looking to take their relationship further.

The thing that I found most refreshing about "Ulee's Gold" is the way in which Nuñez lets the camera stay on an action or conversation for longer than one or two minutes. During the conversation Connie and Ulee share in the kitchen, Nuñez does not cut away or shorten it for fear that the audience will lose interest. Instead, he just lets it play out. There's also a nice, sagacious scene in which Penny uses a drawing to explain to her mother the symbolism of Ulee's bee keeping.

"Ulee's Gold" is the type of simple but great filmmaking that relies only on the actors and the camera to tell the story. In style and development, it is reminiscent of last year's "Sling Blade."

"Ulee's Gold" is now playing at Hoyts Cinemas in Bangor, and will be playing at Spotlight Cinemas as part of the Art and Foreign Film Program Oct. 8 and 9.

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SPORTS PAGE

• Football

Nationally ranked Black Bears head to Villanova

By Bill Stewart
Maine Campus Staff

The UMaine football team travels to Villanova this weekend for a game with national ranking implications.

After two convincing wins over Rhode Island and UMass-Amherst, the Bears have earned their first national ranking in eight years. A recent USA Today/ESPN poll ranks them 24th in the nation.

After upsetting Delaware in Atlantic 10 action last weekend, the wildcats catapulted to number nine in the country this week.

"It's a big game for us," said coach Jack Cosgrove. "We want to stay undefeated. [The Wildcats] are nationally ranked, and we are on the fringe."

"It's probably the biggest game any of us have ever played," added senior wide receiver John Tennett. "This is huge. This is what everyone plays football for."

The Bears won six of the last seven games played last season. However, Maine has not faced off against Villanova since the 1992 season, and this game marks just the sixth time the two schools have played each other.

Maine is 1-2 at Villanova and they

will be playing on Astroturf for only the second time since 1989.

Winning on the road is nothing new for the Bears. They have won four consecutive games away from Orono.

"We want to go down there and put Maine on the football board," said Tennett. "This week is so big that we want to play it right now."

If the Bears are to go to Villanova and come away with an upset win they will have to find a way to slow the pass-oriented Wildcat offense.

"We need to play a great game defensively," said Cosgrove. "Villanova's offense is explosive and can put up some scary numbers."

The Wildcats lead the Atlantic 10 in scoring offense and are ranked second in the conference in passing. Villanova has thrown for 630 yards, compared to just 141 on the ground.

"Villanova is a talented football team and they have some real strong receivers on offense," said Cosgrove. "Our first two opponents this season were not as talented in the passing game as Villanova is."

Villanova will be throwing a different look on offense than the Bears have seen in the past two weeks.

With all-conference players at the wide out position, Cosgrove expects to see his secondary tested early and often come Saturday.

"Villanova will use one back and three receivers," remarked Cosgrove. "We need to respond to that challenge defensively."

Headlining the air attack for the Wildcats are a talented group of wideouts including brothers Brian and Brad Finneran.

Brian Finneran is a first team all-conference player coming off a league-high 81-reception season. Finneran has caught ten passes this year for 239 yards.

Quarterbacking this year's Wildcat offense is sophomore Chris Boden, who Cosgrove says has made a smooth transition as a starter this year.

"Their quarterback was a big question mark earlier this season," said Cosgrove. "However, (Boden) has developed well this year and I am very impressed with his progress."

Boden replaces Clint Park, who led the Atlantic 10 in touchdowns with 24 last year.

Although the Wildcats boast one of the league's most robust passing attacks, the Black Bears are hardly timid on the

receiving end of things.

Wide receivers Drew O'Connor, Rameek Wright, and John Tennett have a combined 25 receptions for 367 yards.

"Maine looks like they have a complete football team," said Villanova head coach Andy Talley. "Offensively, they have proven that they can put up big numbers on the scoreboard."

Quarterback Mickey Fein is also enjoying a fine start to the season, having thrown for 428 yards and six touchdowns.

"Everything starts with Mickey Fein," said Talley. "He is one of the best quarterbacks in the Atlantic 10 and he is a guy that scares me a lot."

"Maine is a very fine football team," added Talley. "From what I have seen on film, they are a team with a lot of weapons."

This weekend's matchup could be the Bears' biggest game in four years. With an expected sellout crowd at Villanova Stadium for family and friends weekend, Maine will have upset on their minds.

"We relish the fact that we have an opportunity to play in a big game," said Cosgrove. "However, we don't want to go down to Villanova just to be there. We want to go there to win."

• Men's soccer

Maine looks to bounce back after tough start

By Jim Davis
Maine Campus Staff

The University of Maine men's soccer team heads into Saturday's matchup with Quinnipiac College stressing patience and consistency.

The Black Bears' head coach Scott Atherley has found little trouble motivating his team after two heart-breaking overtime losses to URI and UMass.

"With this group of individuals, it's never hard to motivate them to do anything," said Atherley. "They're self-disciplined and self-motivated."

It is easy for the Black Bears to be frustrated with their 1-3-0 record, but Atherley says the opposite is occurring.

"I think they share the same outlook as I do," said Atherley. "We could easily be 3-1-0."

The UMaine coach is also encouraged by the continuity that his young team has developed, and perceives nothing but progress as the season moves on.

"We have fourteen out of our eighteen guys on our roster that are freshman and sophomores," said Atherley. "Very few of the kids that are playing out on the field have significant Division-1 experience."

"We look at it as a situation where after four games of being together, that we can play at this level, the prospect of where we are down the road is very bright," added Atherley.

While some teams may struggle to believe that losing is a positive way to learn from mistakes, Atherley points out that these defeats represent the growing pains of inexperience.

"The brightest attribute to our team is the fact that we've been very consistent from game-to-game and half to half," said Atherley. "One of the concerns that you have when you have a young team is how consistent you're going to be."

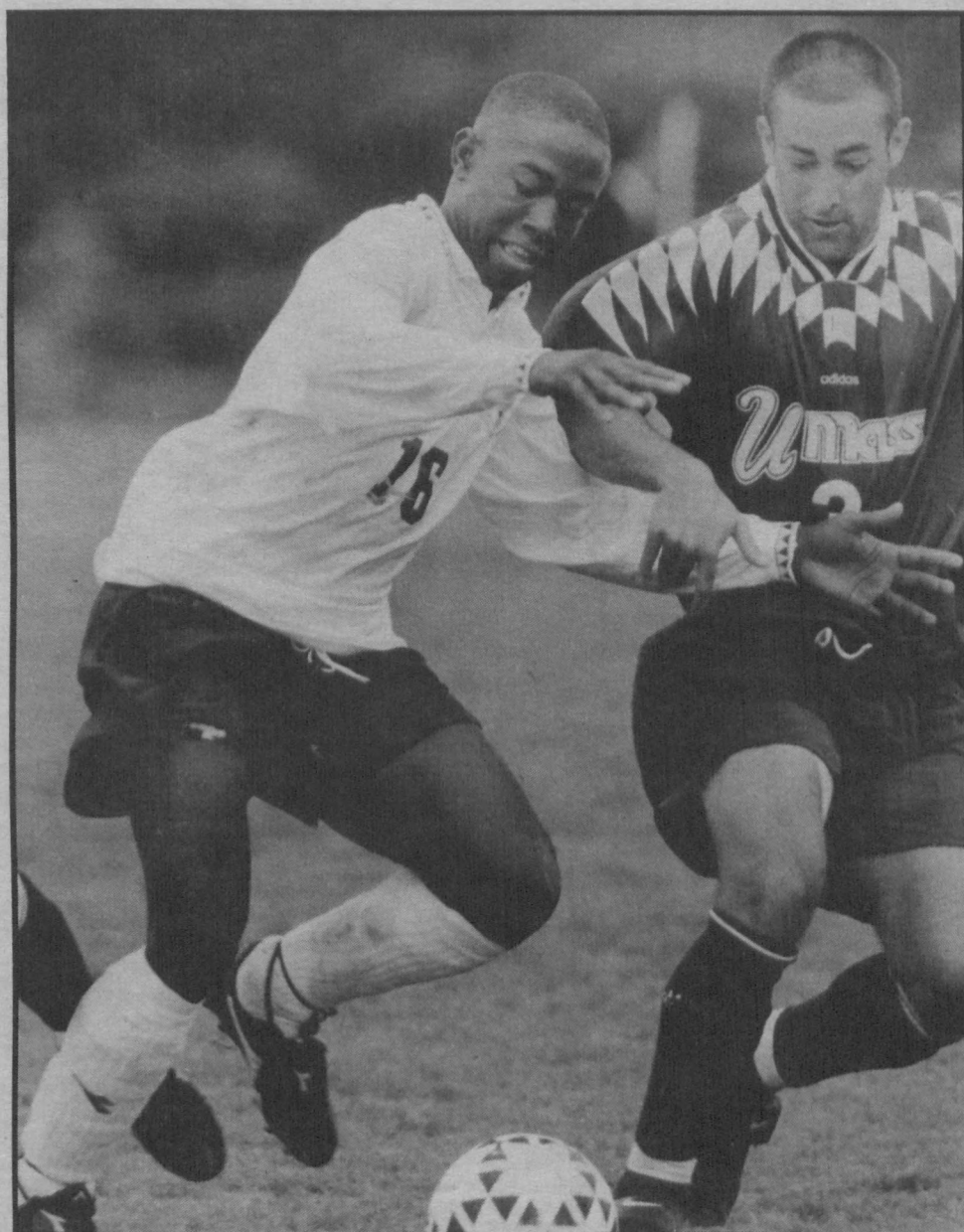
Conditioning has played an important role in allowing Atherley to maintain consistency during games, by avoiding the substitution of players.

"I think we're very fit and mentally tough," said Atherley. "I don't make a lot of substitutions in general."

"I like to keep the consistency and flow of the game and if there's a certain rhythm, I don't like to disrupt that rhythm by making changes."

Senior mid-fielder Ted Sherry, voted captain by his teammates, has stepped up for the

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Maine captain Ricky Brown and the Bears return to action this weekend. (File Photo.)

FROM THE DEN

After the 1930 field hockey season the university abolished varsity intercollegiate athletics for women. Only intramurals and interclass competition existed. It would be another 42 years before the field hockey team regained its varsity status. How do you respond to a 42 year layoff? Go undefeated, and that is just what the lady bears did as Janet Anderson led her team to an unblemished 9-0 record in 72.



• Field hockey

Maine battles Towson State in conference opener

By Josh Nason
Maine Campus Staff

Two seasons ago Maine had five straight home games in which they finished 3-2. This year, they have started a seven-game homestand in hopes of surpassing 1995's outcomes.

The 3-1 Black Bears began the home series last week at Gorham with a 4-1 victory over Yale. This weekend marks the first of four straight games in Orono; the first on Friday afternoon against 1-3 Towson State, then Sunday afternoon against No. 14 Delaware.

Maine met Towson last season in Maryland and came away a 3-2 winner on two goals by Karen Hebert.

This year Towson has not had much luck. After winning their first game over Rider, the Tigers have dropped three straight by a combined score of 9-1.

Head coach Terry Kix said her team is not concerned about Towson's recent woes, but with at the game at hand.

"I think it is critical we approach this as our first conference game, how important it is and focus on what we need to do well to be successful the rest of the season," Kix said.

However Towson received some good news in their last game when All-America East second-team goalie Kelly Brahy returned to action after suffering an eye injury. She has allowed two goals thus

far in a game-and-a-half.

Sunday's contest against Delaware will pit the two teams tied for third in the America East preseason poll.

The Blue Hens have come out of the gate fast this season, racing to the top of the out-of-conference standings with a 4-1 mark.

Delaware won their first four games of the season, including a 3-2 win over No. 16 Temple, before losing in the finals of the Temple Tournament to No. 2 North Carolina 5-0.

"Really it is going to come down to who outthrusts who in this game," Kix explained. "Both teams are very aggressive and physical, and it will come down to who wants the game more."

The Bears will have to be wary of juniors Jodi Byrd and Kelly Cawley. The two have been a frontline force to be reckoned with this season.

Byrd recorded her second hat trick in four games in the Temple contest. Cawley is just one assist shy of tying the school record for 10 in a single season.

Kix said it is her understanding that most of Byrd's goals come off of penalty corners, and shutting down that aspect of the game will be key.

"We will take one of our players and try to shadow her and take away what they do well," Kix said. "If they're going to score, they're going to have to do it in a different manner."

DeLilli Grounded?: Forward Dedra DeLilli has been nothing short of fantastic during her past three games, scoring six goals, four in a game against Yale. The 5' junior currently leads the conference in points-per-game at 3.25.

However, Kix disclosed that DeLilli does have a slight ankle injury going into the game this weekend.

Kix went on to say that the trainers have been doing a great job so far, and that the team as a whole is healthy. At press time, DeLilli was still going to play in these upcoming games.

"She is quick with the ball, intelligent and a very talented player," Kix said. "She's our go-to woman right now, and we're going to continue to look for her in the offensive area."

Must Wins: This weekend is the opener of America East play for four teams. With both the Blue Hens and UNH in action, Maine will need to get a

good start in order to stay in contention amongst the league's elite.

Kix said that with the next three opponents being in-conference foes at home, every game is critical.

"We need to win two out of the next three games for us to be able to feel confident," Kix said.

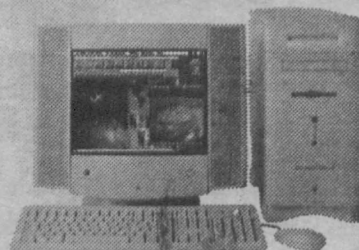
The Lady Bears will square off with at least two more nationally ranked teams this season. Maine played Providence earlier.

Rank and File: Coming off a season where they got into the national rankings for the first time, Maine did not mess around when it came to a tough schedule this year.

After playing current No. 6 Providence in their opener, the Black Bears will meet No. 14 Delaware on Sunday, and have games against No. 13 New Hampshire and past rankees Boston University and Northeastern later this season.

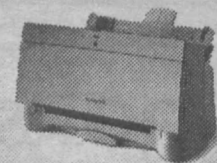
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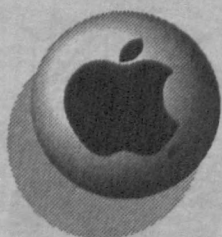
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• Women's soccer

Bears to face Rhode Island

By Darren L. Pare
Maine Campus Staff

The University of Maine women's soccer team upped its record to 2-4 with a 1-0 win over Dartmouth College on Tuesday afternoon.

The Big Green controlled the ball most of the game and the Black Bears kept them in check with a tenacious defense.

Carolyn Fotiu scored the team's only goal to give the Black Bears their much needed win. The lack of scoring chances has been a trend for much of the season, as the team's offense has been struggling to find the back of the net.

On an extended trip this weekend, the Black Bears have a game scheduled for Saturday night at Rhode Island. The team plays on the road again this Monday against Providence.

"With the two games on this road trip we want to try to build on this," coach David Patterson said about Tuesday's victory.

Kelly Stubbs leads the Black Bears offensively so far this season, with three goals and three assists, totaling nine points. Stubbs has played a part in all but two of the team's goals this season.

One of the problems the Black Bears have experienced, is that their opponents

have had over twice as many corner kicks. Maine has had only 13 corners, while their opponents have had 35 thus far.

Goalkeeper Karyn McMullin has been solid in the net for the Black Bears after a rough start on the season. McMullin has had 32 saves the last three games, with only five goals against.

Circle October 3 on your calendar; that is when the Black Bears start playing divisional foes. It also marks the time of year when everyone in the conference should have all the kinks worked out.

If 1997 divisional play is anything like 1996, we should all be in for a great deal of excitement.

America East Wrap Up

America East handed out its weekly awards earlier this week. Northeastern University's Jen Herlihy won the player of the week honors. She scored the only goal during her teams 1-0 victory over Iona.

Rookie of the week honors went to Drexel University's Joy Barnes. Barnes scored the only goal in a win over Long Island University.

The win was Drexel's first ever in America East competition.

The University of Hartford is ranked number 12 in the nation in the NSCAA/Unbro Division I poll.

• Field hockey

Making an opportunity work

By Josh Nason
Maine Campus Staff

"Rudy," a popular movie of recent years, portrays a young football player's fight to play for Notre Dame as a walk-on.

While Becky Blue has not shared many of Rudy's struggles, she too, is familiar with the tribulations of being a walk-on. But at her current pace, the redshirt junior's story may turn out better than that of the young man that played for the Irish.

Blue is one of the reasons Maine's offense is in such a groove lately. The left wing forward has scored in every game this season, and currently has two goals and three assists for seven points. In her first two seasons, she had seven points combined.

"Her skills have caught up to her speed and her athleticism. Also, she's become a much more confident and mature player," head coach Terry Kix said.

Earlier in the season, injuries to the team's midfielders caused Blue to be moved back from the forward line. Now, she is back to her original position with more scoring opportunities.

"I'm in the circle more, and have more opportunities. I'm also hitting the ball out on corners, and getting the assists there," Blue said. "I get more action there, and I like being able to score."

The 5'3" health, physical education and recreation major was not recruited by the program when she graduated from high school in 1993. Despite being an All-State selection in 1992 and 1993, a PVC All-Star for three years and a Maine Sunday Telegram All-Star, Blue came to Maine strictly as a student.

As the result of conversations between Kix, Blue's high school coach and then-

senior Gretchen Lahey, Blue traveled her freshman year and began her college field hockey career.

"(Gretchen) went to Old Town H.S., and she knew I liked field hockey," Blue said. "She talked to me, and said I should try to play for Maine, so I gave it a shot."

Blue also has the advantage of playing near her hometown crowd, something she enjoys since friends, family, and old coaches do not have to travel far to watch her play.

Kix said that Blue has been outstanding thus far, and gives the team a strong left side attack that is new to the program.

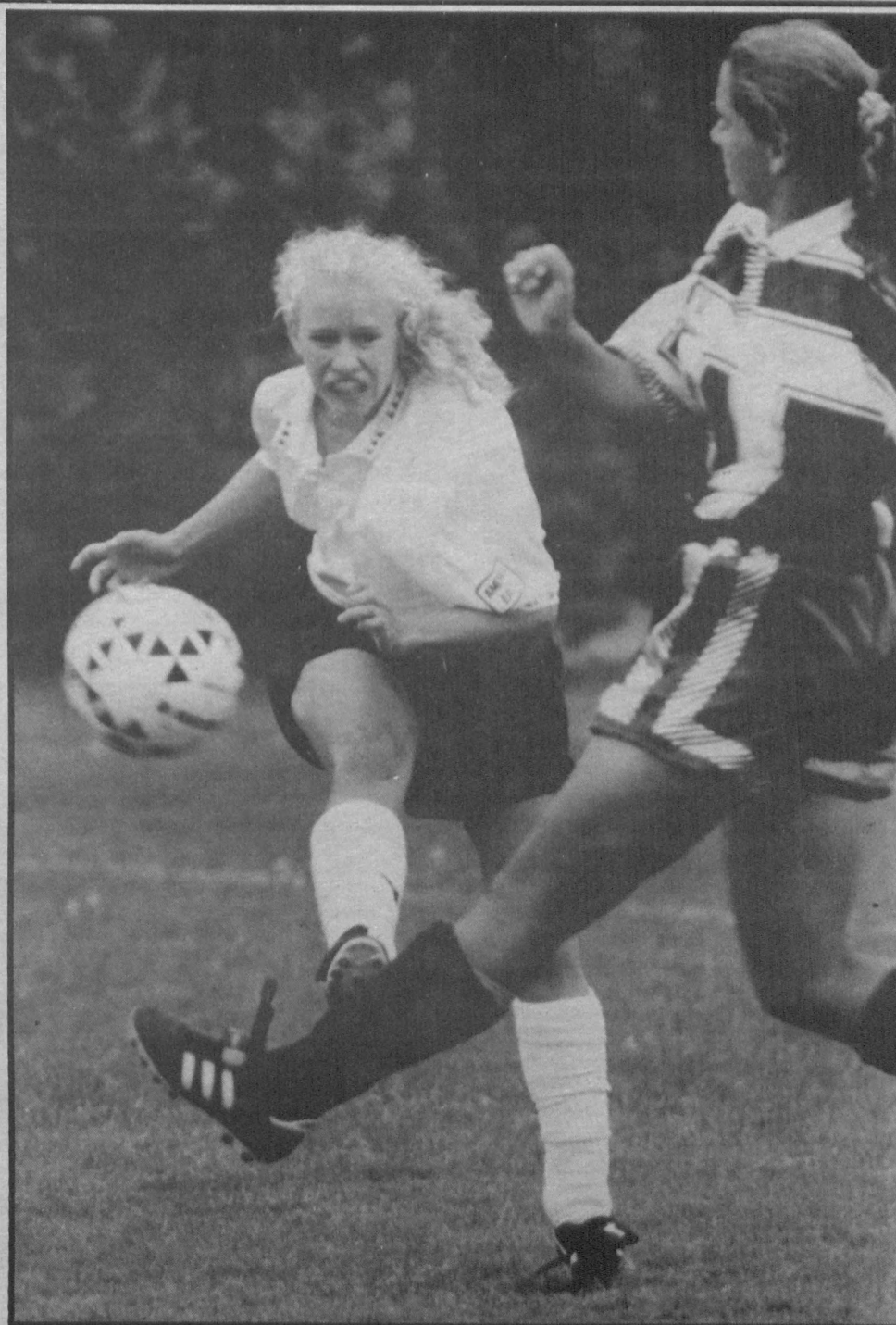
"That's a credit to Becky. She's played so well, we've been able to attack from the left side successfully. She has been quite a leader on our forward line," Kix said. "She has improved so much in the last two years, and is a force to be reckoned with."

Playing on one of the most potent offensive units in America East, Blue, Dedra DeLilli, Karen Hebert and Heidi Spurling all bring different skills to the field.

"I think our forward line is one of the fastest there is. Passing is a big thing. A quick passing game and speed are some of most important things," Blue said.

Kix explained about the advantages of having several go-to offensive talents.

"Anytime you have two or three forwards that are playing really well, the opposing team's defense can't key in on just one player," Kix said. "That's been a real credit to our success right now. We have a lot of balance in our attack, and we're a difficult team to play against."



Captain Suzanne Grant and the rest of the Bears look to get a leg up on Rhode Island this weekend. (File Photo.)

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• Baseball

Black Bears to face defending national champions

By Dave Bailey
Maine Campus Staff

Don't ask Maine head coach Paul Kostacopoulos if this weekend's fall baseball match-up between Maine and the University of Southern Maine is supposed to be anything special.

"This is an exhibition game," Kostacopoulos maintains. "This is [like] preseason football."

While many may think of the two-game series between the Black Bears and the Division III national champions as a battle for state baseball supremacy, Kostacopoulos insists that this is not World War III.

"It's funny how throughout the week people have made comments about the meaning of this game. But there is no meaning other than for us to try to improve," he said.

"That theme has to stay consistent because if you don't do that, you lose sight of what you're trying to accomplish."

Still, the arrival of the champs should gen-

erate more than a glimmer of interest. In winning the national championship last season, the Huskies racked up a 39-9 record, winning 17 consecutive games at one point. In 20 of their 48 games, they scored 10 or more runs.

In the NCAA championship game, USM destroyed Wooster, 15-1, pounding out 20 hits in the process.

The Huskies will have to recover from the loss of pitcher Jason Jensen, who was 9-3 with a 3.19 ERA in 1997. He is currently with the Arizona Diamondback organization. The team is led by Junior Denny Webber who went (8-1, 2.23), leading the team in winning percentage.

USM also proved to be no slouches with their bats, outhitting their opponents by over 100 points (.350-.249).

But the Huskies' glittering numbers don't concern Kostacopoulos as much as the Black Bears' team batting average, just .143 after three games.

"We've already spent more time this week

than we have the last two weeks, so it's definitely a point of emphasis that we would like to improve on," he said. "I think we know what we're doing wrong and it's just a matter of trying to correct it."

On the mound, Kostacopoulos plans on using four pitchers in each of the two games:

Eric O'Brien (0-1, 2.25), Jim Bailin (5 K's in 2 IP), Jason Hall, and Rick Hewey will take to the hill in game one, followed by Tom Katruba (0-1, 6.00), Jon Dickinson, Jared Cochran, and Brandon Brewer (1-0, 0.00) in the finale.

Game times are 7:00 p.m. Saturday and 12:00 p.m. Sunday.

Soccer

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Black Bears and has fulfilled the role of a captain said Atherley.

"He's probably our best individual leader," Atherley said. "He's been a great influence for our team."

Atherley is pleased that other members of the squad have provided leadership, both on the field and off, this season.

"I am pleased that some of our other guys have stepped up and taken initiative, particularly our sophomore class," said Atherley.

Although men's soccer does not draw the

fan base that football or basketball enjoys, the UMaine coach says that having fans out to support the team this weekend would benefit everyone.

"From a player's perspective it's always an advantage to see people in the stands, especially in the later stages of the game," remarked Atherley.

"We're fortunate that we don't conflict with any other events on campus, so the opportunity for people to come out and see an attractive game of soccer exists."

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